

IN THE CLAIMS:

1-3. (Canceled)

1 ~~4~~. (Previously presented) An isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex, comprising at least three molecules of an Mts1 protein.

2 ~~5~~. (Original) The isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex of claim ~~4~~¹, having a Mw in the range of about 30 kD to about 200 kD.

3 ~~6~~. (Currently amended) The isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex of claim ~~4~~¹, wherein said Mts1 protein is a wild type Mts1 protein.

4 ~~7~~. (Previously presented) An isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex, comprising at least three molecules of Mts1-dcl75.

5 ~~8~~. (Previously presented) The isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex of claim ~~4~~¹, wherein said Mts1 protein is of a mammalian origin.

6 ~~9~~. (Canceled)

7 ~~10~~. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the isolated complex of claim ~~4~~¹, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

8 ~~11~~. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim ~~10~~⁶, wherein said pharmaceutically acceptable carrier is liquid, semi-solid, or solid.

9 ~~12~~. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim ~~10~~⁶, further comprising a neurotropic factor.

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9 ~~13~~. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition of claim ~~12~~, wherein said neurotropic factor is selected from the group consisting of bFGF, aFGF, CNTF, NGF, BDNF, GDNF, NT3, NT4/5, IGF-1 and IGF-II.

14-25. (Canceled)

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10 ~~26~~. (Previously presented) The isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex of claim ~~4~~, wherein said Mts-1 protein is a human Mts-1 protein.

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11 ~~27~~. (Previously presented) The isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex of claim ~~26~~, wherein said human Mts-1 protein comprises the sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1.

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12 ~~28~~. (Previously presented) The isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex of claim ~~4~~, wherein said Mts-1 protein comprises the sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.

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13 ~~29~~. (Previously presented) An isolated multimeric Mts1 protein complex, comprising at least three molecules of human Mts1-del75.